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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced matter is form PTO-1449 (modified) together with a copy of the reference listed therein. It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and its consideration be made of written record in the application file.

It is the Applicant's understanding that no fees are dues. However, should this be incorrect, please debit any required fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1185 upon which the undersigned is allowed to draw. If any questions remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney a (713)-270-5391.

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Respectfully submitted,

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